

INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

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B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

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Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practical, search terms used)

EPO-Internal, SEQUENCE SEARCH, BIOSIS, WPI Data

C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category *	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
X	<p>DATABASE GENBANK 'Online! 3 June 2003 (2003-06-03) "605 bp DNA linear BCT 03-JUN-2003 Pseudomonas pseudoalcaligenes bphR2 gene for transcriptional regulator, complete cds. Pseudomonas." retrieved from NCBI Database accession no. AB088347 XP002319927 the whole document & WATANABE,T., FUJIHARA,H. AND FURUKAWA,K.: "Characterization of the Second LysR-Type Regulator in the Biphenyl-Catabolic Gene Cluster of Pseudomonas pseudoalcaligenes KF707" J. BACTERIOL., vol. 185, no. 12, June 2003 (2003-06), pages 3575-3582, XP002290937 the whole document</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-/--</p>	<p>3,4,7,8, 13,14, 25-28, 30,32,33</p>

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☒ Patent family members are listed in annex.

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P,X	<p>--- WO 03/055994 A (INSERM INST NAT SANTE ET RECH ; BIO MERIEUX (FR); BEDIN FREDERIC (FR);) 10 July 2003 (2003-07-10) the whole document</p>	3-6,11, 12, 25-28, 30, 32-49, 51-59
A	<p>--- DENIS F ET AL: "LES NOUVEAUX VIRUS DES HEPATITES E, GB ET SUIVANTS. NEW HEPATITIS VIRUSES E, GB AND NEXT" TRANSFUSION CLINIQUE ET BIOLOGIQUE, ARNETTE-BLACKWELL, PARIS, FR, vol. 1, no. 3, 1996, pages 19-25, XP000612674 ISSN: 1246-7820 the whole document</p>	1
A	<p>--- BOWDEN D S ET AL: "NEW HEPATITIS VIRUSES: ARE THERE ENOUGH LETTERS IN THE ALPHABET?" MEDICAL JOURNAL OF AUSTRALIA, XX, XX, vol. 164, no. 2, 1996, pages 87-89, XP000612664 the whole document -----</p>	1

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Box I Observations where certain claims were found unsearchable (Continuation of item 1 of first sheet)

This international search report has not been established in respect of certain claims under Article 17(2)(a) for the following reasons:

1. ☒ Claims Nos.:
because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:

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2. ☐ Claims Nos.:
because they relate to parts of the international application that do not comply with the prescribed requirements to such an extent that no meaningful international search can be carried out, specifically:

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This International Searching Authority found multiple inventions in this international application, as follows:

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Continuation of Box II.1

Although claim 54 relates to a diagnostic method comprising an *in vivo* surgical procedure carried out on the human body in order to take a biological sample from a patient, such as a sample of serum, plasma or blood, the search was carried out and was based on the effects ascribed to the product.

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Information on patent family members

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